

THE
 Ld. Chancellor's Speech
 TO THE
 Duke of Marlborough.

And his Grace's ANSWER

ON Tuesday the 1st. Instant, near two a Clock in the Afternoon, his the Grace the Duke of Marlborough came through the City of London from Flanders, his Dutchesse Sitting in the Coach with him, being heartily Welcom'd all the Way by the joyful Shouts and Acclamations of the People. At which time the Honourable House of Peers having Notice of his Graces Happy Arrival in Town, Unanimously Ordered that the Lord Chancellor should Present the Duke with the Thanks of that Honourable Assembly as soon as his Grace should Come into their Presence; And accordingly the next Day Coming to the House of Lords, my Lord Chancellor in the Name of the rest, made a most Excellent Speech to his Grace; giving him Thanks for the great and Eminent Services he Perform'd for his Queen and Country the last tedious as well as Surprizing Campaign in Flanders; particularly for the Famous Victory over the French Army at Audenard Commanded by the Princes of the Blood of France.

The taking of the City and Castle of Lisle, through abundance of Difficulties, Doubts and Dangers, passing the Scheld in the View of a numerous French Army, Relieving Brussels just upon the point of Capitulating; and lastly, Reducing of Ghent and Bruges, with several other wonderful Performances, chiefly owing to his Grace's Wise Conduct, Courage, Prudence and Experience; and therefore deserved all manner of grateful Acknowledgments, not only from both Houses of Parliament, but all England in General. To which Speech his Grace was pleased to return an Answer to this Effect, viz.

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That he was extremely sensible of the great Honour which the House of Lords had done him, in declaring their Approbation and Acceptance of the Services he had, by God's Blessing, perform'd, for the Honour of his Queen and Country, and that nothing could give him more Satisfaction than to find so Wise and August an Assembly so well pleas'd with his real Endeavours to merit that Honour; assuring them, that he should never think any Pains, Perseverance, Difficulty, or Dangers too great for the future, if he might (by the Blessings of God) be Instrumental in procuring a Safe, Firm, Lasting, and Honourable Peace for Her Majesty and his Fellow Subjects; concluding with his Heartly Wishes for the speedy Accomplishment of so great and desirable a Work, to the Glory of God, the Honour of the Queen, and Prosperity of all Her Majesties Dominions.

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